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The Story So Far

Miho has been among the hunted long enough, and when she discovers a young girl who's been possessed by an obsession spirit she decides to take the fight to it. But Pan, whose powers are useless against the apparition, is of little help and Miho must find a new partner in combating the demon.

Enter John.

A cocky young Korean-American priest-in-training, he has been gifted with other-worldly powers, which he uses in combating the forces of evil as an exorcist. When he finds out his real parents may still be alive in Seoul, he makes the trek from New York to Korea, only to get sidetracked by Miho who needs the young "shaman" to aid her against the obsession spirit.

SKETCH #3
SHAMAN(S) 5

HEY!
CHECK ME OUT!
TAH-DAH!

SONGI,
NOT
AGAIN!

I TOLD YOU!
HORSES ARE
DANGEROUS!

GET
DOWN
RIGHT
NOW!

NO!
TAEDOL IS
DIFFERENT.
HE'S MY
FRIEND!
ISN'T THAT
RIGHT,
TAEDOL
?

I DON'T CARE!
YOU SHOULDN'T BE UP
THERE! THEY DON'T WANT
US RIDING THE HORSES,
AND IF MY BOSS SEES YOU,
HE'LL KICK MY BUTT.
SO GET DOWN!!!

NOOO_
SOLHUI...

HERE. PLAY WITH THIS INSTEAD.

HUH?

WHOA! IT'S THE FAT NINJA DOLL!

YEAH, I DECIDED TO SPLURGE ON YOU. AFTER I FINISH THIS JOB, I'LL ALSO BUY YOU SOMA AND ARUMI DOLLS. BUT FOR NOW, YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY WITH WHAT YOU GET!

SONG!! WHERE ARE YOU?

I'M ALL FINISHED. LET'S GO HOME

...!

SONG!, WHAT ARE YOU DOING OVER THERE?

CRAZY BITCH!

AAAAHH

SOLHUI!! SNAP OUT OF IT!

SOLHUI!!

DID YOU HAVE A NIGHTMARE?

HOW'S SONGI?

DON'T WORRY! SHE WENT TO CONFESSION.

WITH A PRIEST NAMED JOHN...

IT'S A ONE-WAY MIRROR YOU CAN ONLY SEE THROUGH IT FROM THIS SIDE

BUT THAT DEMONIC BITCH LOOKED LIKE SHE WAS WATCHING YOU THE WHOLE TIME YOU WERE CONKED OUT, EVEN THOUGH THAT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE.

WHEN WE GOT HERE, THINGS WERE REALLY CHAOTIC. THAT POSSESSED SISTER OF YOURS WOULD HAVE DESTROYED THE WHOLE HOSPITAL IF WE HADN'T COME WHEN WE DID.

HA-HA... IT WAS A SIGHT TO SEE! THE LITTLE CREEP GOT ALL FLUSTERED AND RAN AWAY THE SECOND SHE, ER, IT SAW JOHN.

HI!

TEACHER, THANK YOU.

FOR WHAT?

YOU HELPED SONG! WHEN EVERYONE ELSE ABANDONED HER.

NOT ONLY DID YOU BRING HER TO THIS HOSPITAL BUT YOU BROUGHT IN SOMEONE WHO COULD HELP HER.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

YES, OF COURSE. YOU SHOULD BE THANKFUL!

DO YOU KNOW HOW MUCH MONEY THAT KID'S COST ME? I PUT A LOT OF EFFORT INTO GETTING HER HERE. I'M GLAD SOMEONE'S SMART ENOUGH TO NOTICE WHAT I'M DOING.

AHH.

WHAT A WEIRD GIRL! SHE SEES EVERYTHING IN SUCH A POSITIVE LIGHT.

I DID THIS TO SAVE MYSELF.

HMMM... IT'S THE FIRST TIME SOMEONE'S EVER SAID "THANK YOU" TO ME.

I GUESS IT ISN'T SO BAD.

DO YOUR BEST, JOHN!

WHY DON'T YOU GIVE IT A REST? YOUR SISTER'S AWAKE.

HEH-HEH... YOU KNEW, EH? YOU'RE QUITE THE PSYCHIC!

NOT REALLY WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS PRETTY OBVIOUS, TORMENTING PEOPLE WITH NIGHTMARES. IT'S KIND-OF PREDICTABLE.

I TOLD THEM THAT EVEN A ROOM WITH HEAVY SECURITY LIKE THIS ONE IS USELESS AGAINST YOU, BUT NO ONE WOULD LISTEN TO ME.

DOCTORS HAVE TO RATIONALIZE EVERYTHING.

FEH... THAT'S THE WEAKNESS OF YOU HUMAN SCUM!

YOU'RE ALL HALF-BRAINED IDIOTS TRYING TO MASTER A SYSTEM OF LOGIC THAT'S BEYOND YOU! MAKES IT EASIER FOR ME TO TOY WITH YOU FUCKING MORONS.

REALLY? WE HAVE SOMETHING IN COMMON, THEN. PLAY YOUR CARDS RIGHT, AND WE COULD BE GREAT PALS!

SHUT UP!!

I'M NOT A CLOSE-MINDED PERSON, SO I'LL GIVE YOU A CHANCE TO REDEEM YOURSELF...

...BEFORE I BEAT YOU OUT OF THAT GIRL...

LEAVE THAT CHILD'S BODY *NOW!*

SHIT... YOU'RE THREATENING ME, TOO?! DIDN'T THAT BITCH BEHIND THE MIRROR WARN YOU TO BACK THE FUCK UP?!

DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH! YOU MAY BE SATAN'S SPAWN AND UGLY AS HELL, BUT YOU'RE NO MATCH FOR THE POWER OF THE LORD EVEN **YOU** ARE SMART ENOUGH TO KNOW THAT

BWA-HA-HA, SHUT UP, YOUR "LORD" WAS A TWO-BIT PARLOR MAGICIAN! HIS MOTHER WAS A WHORE! I'M NOT SCARED!

THE HEAVENS ARE SWOLLEN WITH FURY, AND EVIL WILL BE CRUSHED BY ITS POWER!

KIAAA!!

I ASK YOU AGAIN IN THE NAME OF THE LORD.

WILL YOU REPENT?

THE NAME OF THE "LORD"?! YOU'RE FUCKIN' FUNNY! YOU IDIOTS WHO SUCK ON THE CROSS, YOU'RE THE DUMBEST OF THEM ALL. LISTEN UP, LITTLE PRINCE, I'VE GOT NEWS FOR YOU.

DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT JESUS CLIMBED CALVARY HILL TO BE NAILED UP FOR DUMB SHITS LIKE YOU?

THE GUY KICKSTARTS A BULLSHIT RELIGION BY GETTING HIMSELF KILLED... DOES THAT REALLY SOUND LIKE A GOOD IDEA TO YOU?

WHAT A DUMBASS! IF THERE REALLY WAS A GOD, YOU THINK HE'D LET THE CARDS BE SO UNFAIRLY STACKED AGAINST HIMSELF? WOULD HE EVEN PERMIT SOMETHING LIKE ME TO EXIST?

YEAH...YOU CALL ME SATAN'S SPAWN! I DISGUST YOU TO THE POINT OF VOMITING, AND YOU FEAR THE WAY I MAKE YOU FEEL...

...BUT...

...DO YOU THINK I'M LIKE THIS BECAUSE I WANT TO BE?! IF I COULD CHANGE, I WOULD, BUT THIS IS MY TRUE FACE, A REFLECTION OF WHAT'S INSIDE ME.

I WAS BORN EVIL, I WILL DIE EVIL. DID YOUR GOD CREATE SUCH A CONCEPT? AM I HIS MONSTROSITY?

"WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH IN HIM SHALL NOT PERISH AND HAVE ETERNAL LIFE"?!

FUCK! IT'S REALLY A SHAME! FAITH IS NOT ENOUGH, 'CUZ THERE'S A COVER CHARGE AT THE DOOR! FALSE PROMISES SPRINKLED WITH SUGAR ARE STILL FALSE!

AT LEAST THOSE BORN OF HELL DON'T PICK AND CHOOSE IN THE NAME OF FAITH. PURE EVIL DOESN'T DISCRIMINATE!

DEVIOUS BASTARDS! YOU GOODY-GOODIES ARE THE REAL DEVILS!

YOU PREACH LOVE, THEN TURN AROUND AND CLAIM THE JEWS DESERVED WHAT NAZIS GAVE THEM FOR KILLING YOUR PRECIOUS JESUS.

YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT PURITY, YOU SHIT? I'M CLEANER THAN ANY OF YOU CHRISTIAN BASTARDS!

I CAN'T BELIEVE WHAT SHE'S SAYING. SHE ALMOST SOUNDS CONVINCING. I'M PRACTICALLY MOVED BY HER.

...!
EVERYONE'S CRYING?
THIS MONSTER IS TOTALLY FREAKING THEM OUT.

YOU CALL THIS FAIR?
BY A TRICK OF BIRTH,
YOU'RE BORN HUMAN,
BUT I'M DOOMED
TO BE A DEMON?

SOME SUPREME BEING
YOU'VE GOT THERE,
JUNIOR! DOES HE ALLOW
FOR THE EXISTENCE OF
WICKEDNESS TO
JUSTIFY KEEPING HIS JOB?

...!

AAH..
I'M SO TIRED.
I MUST STILL BE
JET-LAGGED.
I'M FALLING
ASLEEP
STANDING HERE!

UGH.
I'M REALLY
BEAT.

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When evil resides in a young girl...

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ARE YOU QUITE FINISHED?
YOU CAN KEEP GOING,
I DON'T MIND
IT SEEMS LIKE YOU'VE
GOT SOMETHING
YOU WANT TO GET OFF
YOUR CHEST

GRIN

YOU SON OF A BITCH!
THAT'S... YOU WOULDN'T!
P-PUT IT AWAY
RIGHT FUCKING NOW!

WHY?
YOU DON'T LIKE
THE TASTE OF
HOLY WATER?

EEEAAGH

SSSSS

NO!

JOHN... IT'S TOO...

SNIFF SNIFF

IF YOU'D PREFER A DIFFERENT HOLY WATER, I HAVE PLENTY OF GOOD VINTAGES

JOHN!

MMT

MMT

MMT

HMM... DON'T LIKE THIS ONE?

STOP IT, JOHN IT HURTS TOO MUCH!

POP

SONG!!

GET THAT CHRISTIAN FREAK OUT OF THERE!

I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING QUITE LIKE YOU BEFORE

I'M CURIOUS JUST HOW UGLY YOU BASTARDS CAN GET.

NO! NO ONE ENTERS THAT ROOM UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES!

WEREN'T YOU PEOPLE LISTENING? JOHN WARNED US NOT TO BE FOOLED BY THAT BEAST'S TRICKS! IT'S NOT A LITTLE GIRL, IT'S A MONSTER!

AND LET'S NOT FORGET WHO RUNS THIS HOSPITAL, ALRIGHT? IF YOU LIKE GETTING A PAYCHECK FOR YOUR SURGICAL SKILLS, I SUGGEST YOU STAY WHERE YOU ARE AND SHUT THE HELL UP.

KEE, KEE... YOU'RE NOT LISTENING TO A THING I'M SAYING, ARE YOU, JOHN?

THAT'S TOO BAD BECAUSE I'VE GOT SOME REAL JUICY GOSSIP ABOUT YOUR PARENTS

PARENTS?!

HEH .. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE HAPPY 'TIL YOU BORE ME TO DEATH OR AT LEAST 'TIL YOU PUT ME TO SLEEP

GULP 꿀 GULP 각

I KNOW YOU WELL, KANG CHANHYOK.

KE KEE, WHY? ARE YOUR EARS BURNING? IS YOUR REAL NAME THAT UNFAMILIAR TO YOU? OR IS IT JUST THAT YOU FEEL SAD BECAUSE MOMMY AND DADDY NEVER CALLED YOU BY IT?

YEAH... YOU'RE JUST AS WRETCHED AS I AM YOU PITIFUL BASTARD

ADOPTED BY AMERICANS AT THE AGE OF 5, ONLY TO HAVE THEM TEAR YOUR GUTS OUT -LITERALLY!- TO SAVE THEIR REAL CHILD, THE ONE THEY REALLY LOVED!

YOU STILL HAVE TO POP PILLS JUST TO KEEP YOUR BODY FROM GIVING OUT ON YOU, DON'T YOU?!

YOU FUCKING IDIOT! AREN'T YOU PISSED OFF? YOUR REAL PARENTS THREW YOU OUT LIKE TRASH, AND THEN THEIR REPLACEMENTS TAKE WHAT THEY NEED FROM YOU AND DONATE YOU TO SOME CHURCH LIKE A SET OF OLD CLOTHES!

LISTEN UP, JOHN! YOUR PARENTS WERE WORTHLESS GARBAGE! YOUR OLD MAN MADE ZERO SEEM LIKE A HIGH NUMBER!

YOU GET WHAT I'M SAYING, LITTLE PRINCE?! YOUR MOTHER WAS A GUTTER WHORE WHO LET DOGS SLEEP BETWEEN HER LEGS!

YOU THINK I'M MAKING IT UP, DON'T YOU? BUT I HAVE PROOF IF YOU'RE MAN ENOUGH TO CHECK IT OUT. YOU HAVE THE ADDRESS, A PLACE CALLED YONGDUNG-PO! IT'S THE WHOREHOUSE WHERE YOU WERE CONCEIVED!

AH...AH...

I-IT'S B-BROKEN... SO CLUMSY...!

WHERE'S YOUR GOD NOW?

WHERE ARE HIS BLESSINGS, JOHN?

IT'S OKAY. I'VE GOT MORE.

JOHN...

UH, MISS WON MIHO?

SOME GUY NAMED PAN IS ASKING FOR YOU DOWN IN THE LOBBY.

PAN?! HOW DID HE FIND ME?!

I NEVER TOLD HIM WHERE I WAS GOING.

CRAP, DID THE OLD MAN FILL HIM IN AGAIN?

SHIT, I WAS KIND-OF GLAD TO BE RID OF HIM FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS.

WHACK

JOSH

THUD

KEE, KEE...
IT WAS WORTH IT JUST
TO SEE YOUR FACE
THAT'S
ENTERTAINMENT!

PLAYING AROUND
WITH A DUMBASS
SHAMAN IS MY
IDEA OF FUN

YOU IDIOT.
DID YOU REALLY
THINK AN OBSESSION SPIRIT
LIKE ME COULD BE SCARED
BY A TINY TOY CRUCIFIX?

IF YOUR HELL-SPAWNED DEMONS ARE THAT AFRAID OF A LITTLE TRINKET, HOW'D THEY EVER GET SUCH A FEARSOME REP?

TAP TAP

KEE, I WAS JUST FOOLING AROUND. I HAD NO IDEA THAT YOUR REACTION WOULD BE SO HYSTERICAL!

...!! YOU'RE NOT A DEMON?! OBSESSION... OBSESSION... SPIRIT? A GHOST?!

I HAVE TO ADMIT, YOU HAD ME FOOLED.

HA-HA-HA! WELL, I AM THE GREATEST LIAR THAT EVER WAS!

WE NEED MORE DOCTORS DOWN HERE!

QUICK! GET SECURITY!

WHOOSH

KA-BOOM

YOU IMPUDENT BASTARDS! YOU'VE IRRITATED ME LONG ENOUGH.

YOU!

WHY, LITTLE PRINCE DO YOU WANT TO END UP AS JELLY?

EVEN IF I WERE JUST A DEMON, YOU'D STILL HAVE FAILED!

YOU WEAKLING!

FOUR

YOUNG MAN, ARE YOU GOING TO THE HOSPITAL, TOO?

THEN COME SHARE MY UMBRELLA.

FOUR

THEY SAY THE RAIN IS BAD FOR US THESE DAYS. POLLUTION, YOU KNOW?

LUCKY FOR YOU, NO ONE HERE WAS SERIOUSLY HURT

IT'S A RELIEF THAT YOUR POWERS ARE MINIMAL.

OTHERWISE, I WOULD'VE MADE A BIG MISTAKE...

YOU'RE JOKING!

..BY PLAYING ALONG WITH YOUR CHARADE.

IF

...

YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS, DON'T YOU?

IT'S THE "HOLY WATER" I HIT YOU WITH WHEN YOU WERE STILL PLAY-ACTING.

HEY, DUMMY, WHO EVER HEARD OF A PRIEST WHO DRINKS HOLY WATER?!

YOU DID A GREAT JOB, BY THE WAY. YOU TRICKED EVERYONE.

WELL, *ALMOST* EVERYONE.

THIS IS JUST PLAIN *TAP* WATER!

OOOOAAAAHH

SFLSSHHH

SWSS

S-
SUCH...

STUPID...

ARE YOU SCARED NOW? DO YOU SEE MY AURA WITH YOUR OWN EYES?

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO GOT DUPED, STUPID!

THAT'S RIGHT I KNEW WHO YOU WERE MIND-READING A SCRAWNY GHOSTLING LIKE YOU IS EASY!

THE GREATEST LIAR ON CHEJU ISLAND, PYON INT'AE OF SOKWI-CHIN! A SIMPLE HUMAN, YOU BUILT YOUR FAME ON LIES, AND THEN KNOCKED IT DOWN WITH MORE OF THEM.

YOU ASKED WHY DEMONS FEAR THE CROSS, SO I'LL SHOW YOU.

THE POWER OF THE LORD, OUR SAVIOUR, CASTS LIGHT OVER THE DARKEST SHADOWS.

KEAAA!

YOU ARE MERELY SATAN'S MINION, FULL OF DECEIT AND TREACHERY!

BEHOLD, THE LORD'S HAND IS UPON THEE, AND THOU SHALT BE BLIND, NEVER AGAIN BEHOLDING THE LIGHT!

WHOOSH

SHRAK

KEAA!

YOU SHALL SUFFER FOR BLASPHEMING THE POWER OF THE LORD!

YOU SHALL PERISH FOR DENYING THE WAY OF THE LORD!

COME OUT, DEMON!

!

CRASH

.....

WAS MY ENTRANCE A BIT ROUGH FOR YOU?

YOU MADE A GOOD EFFORT, PUNK! YOU ALMOST SENT THE OBSESSION SPIRIT AWAY

BUT "ALMOST" DOESN'T COUNT! IF YOU KEEP FUCKING WITH ME, I'LL PEEL THIS WOMAN'S SKIN OFF AND USE IT TO HANG YOU BY YOUR WORTHLESS NECK.

HMMM. YOU'RE LATE...

IF YOU'D WAITED ANY LONGER I'D HAVE VANISHED FOREVER.

SHIT... I CAME UNDONE AND WAS KNOCKED LOOSE! GOD-DAMNED JESUS! PERHAPS THERE'S SOMETHING TO HIS POWER, AFTER ALL.

YOU KEPT YOUR PROMISE, BURNING DESIRE DEMON! I KNOW YOU DIDN'T LIKE THE TERMS OF THE BARGAIN, BUT I GUESS YOU WANTED TO SEE PAN AGAIN PRETTY BADLY, EH?

STOP YOUR BULLSHIT AND TELL ME WHERE HE IS! IF YOU FUCK WITH ME I'LL LEAVE YOU TO THE CHRISTIAN.

PAN...?

I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING, BUT IT'S GETTING OUT-OF-HAND!

THAT DEMON THERE'S SOMETHING DIFFERENT ABOUT IT!

IF I DON'T WATCH OUT, IT COULD ALL FALL APART AND I'LL LOSE EVERYTHING.

OK, I'LL TELL YOU! PAN IS

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LOOKING FOR ME?

WE'RE ALONE AGAIN, JUST THE TWO OF US.

TOO BAD, BUT YOUR FRIEND MUST HAVE SOMETHING MORE URGENT THAN YOU TO DEAL WITH.

AH...

W-WAIT, JOHN!

I LOST. I'LL LEAVE THE CHILD ALONE FOR GOOD!

TH-THAT'S AN OBSESSION SPIRIT? GOD, IS THAT REALLY A GHOST?

HOW DID I GET HERE, IN A ROOM WITH A GHOST?

I REMEMBER I WAS FOLLOWING A NURSE INTO THE LOBBY..

THAT'S IT! THAT WOMAN WAS CLEARLY...!!

WHAT THE HELL HAPPENED HERE?

THIS ROOM IS A MESS. OBVIOUSLY SOMETHING WENT DOWN HERE I WAS ATTACKED BY THE BURNING DESIRE DEMON, BUT THEN..

TOO BAD. IT WOULD HAVE BEEN A GOOD FIGHT.

I HAVE NO TIME TO CHAT WITH YOU! I MUST QUICKLY GO AND HELP THAT MAN WHO DRAGGED OFF YOUR FRIEND.

IT'S GAME OVER.

A MAN?! SURELY NOT?

DO YOU HAVE THE TIME- ♪ TO LISTEN TO ME WHINE- ♫

ABOUT NOTHING AND EVERYTHING ALL AT ONCE -♪

2
well

I AM ONE OF THOSE~♪

3

NO DOUBT ABOUT IT~♫

4

WHOOSH

I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU, PAN! IT'S BEEN DRIVING ME CRAZY!

THIS TIME, I'M GONNA SWALLOW YOU WHOLE!

SHUNK

GRAB

IDIOT... YOU BETTER CHECK YOUR MOVES BEFORE YOU SHOOT YOUR MOUTH OFF!

BWAM

OM
唵
A PA RA HA
阿尾羅吽
BAM SA PA HAI
欠 莎訶!

BAM

BAM

SLASH

SKSH SKSH SKSH

EFCFCH

YOU DIDN'T THINK I'D MAKE THIS EASY, DID YOU?!

SWISH

SLASH

IM...
臨...

PYONG!
兵!

TU CHA
鬪者

!!

KYE CHIN
堦陳

YONG CHAE
列在

CHON!
前!

SKRAKOW

SKSHH

BACK DOWN!
OR IT'S THE
KID'S LIFE!!

KUH...

K'UAGH!!

IS THAT WHAT YOU'LL RESORT TO NOW? YOU'VE JUST GOTTEN MORE PATHETIC SINCE LAST TIME!

W-WHY, PAN? WHY ARE YOU BETRAYING US AND PROTECTING THAT BITCH?!

YOU USED TO HATE HUMAN BEINGS!

HATE...

YEAH.
YOU WERE RIGHT
WHEN YOU
CALLED ME AN
ABANDONED CHILD
I'M ALSO
HANDICAPPED,
IF YOU THINK
ABOUT IT..

I'M HUMAN,
JUST LIKE EVERYONE ELSE.
TO SAY I'VE NEVER HATED
WOULD BE A LIE.

BUT...

. ON THE OTHER HAND,
IT IS ALSO HUMAN
TO UNDERSTAND AND
TO FORGIVE!

HA HA, IT TOOK ME
A COUPLE OF YEARS,
BUT I FINALLY GOT
THAT CONCEPT
THROUGH MY HEAD

HEY! DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A HUMAN AND A DEMON IS?

SIMPLE HUMANS KNOW HATE FOR WHAT IT IS AND HAVE THE POWER TO FORGIVE.

SIMPLY PUT, *HATRED IS EXCLUSIVELY A TOOL OF EVIL!*

IF I DIDN'T DEFY IT I'D BE JUST AS BAD AS YOU!

GO BACK TO HELL!

HEY, YOU GUYS.

ARE YOU GUYS FIGHTING? THIS IS A HOSPITAL! DON'T YOU KNOW HOW TO BE QUIET?

AND WHO IS IT THAT SAID, "WHEN IT COMES TO MONEY, NOTHING MATTERS, INCLUDING HATE"?

YOU'RE REALLY STUPID IF MONEY IS ALL YOU LIVE FOR...

IT'S PATHETIC!

TAP
TAP

MAYBE IT WAS JUST A PIECE OF MEAT THAT ESCAPED FROM THE BUTCHER SHOP.
YOU SURE HE WAS HERE?
IT WAS PAN, ALRIGHT...

HEY, KID, DID YOU HAPPEN TO SEE A PERSON IN A BLACK SUIT COME THROUGH HERE?
It's here, too
What a mess!

HOW COULD I SEE ANYONE WITH THIS BANDAGE ON MY EYES?
BUT...

THE MAN YOU'RE LOOKING FOR HAS A PAST EVEN MORE MISERABLE THAN MINE.

EVEN THOUGH I COULDN'T SEE HIM, I COULD FEEL HIM.

...?

THAT MONK FRIEND OF YOURS, HE'S SOMETHING ELSE!

THIS WAS A POWERFUL DEMON

WAIT A SECOND WHAT DO YOU MEAN, MONK?!

THAT MAN WHO SAVED YOU, *PAN*...

HE CARRIES A WEAPON CALLED AN *ADAMANTINE DAGGER.*

NOT JUST ANYONE CAN HAVE ONE. IT'S A BUDDHIST TOOL THAT ONLY MONKS CAN CARRY

M-IMPOSSIBLE!

I KNOW, IT SOUNDS CRAZY...

BUT NOT ALL SECTS OF BUDDHISTS FORBID KILLING BY A MONK.

THERE'S A SECT CALLED *ESOTERIC BUDDHISM* THAT HAS A DIFFERENT DOCTRINE.

HE MUST BE A VERY WELL-TRAINED MONK. HIS WORK HERE PROVES IT.

M-MONK?

THAT HOMICIDAL MANIAC?!

SKETCH#3- GLOSSARY TO SHAMAN(S)

1) THE KING OF DARKNESS- A REAL DEVIL THAT POSSESSED THE BURNER BROTHERS OF ILLFURTH VILLAGE, ALSACE FRANCE. IN 1865. WHEN A NUN QUESTIONED HIS IDENTITY HE CALLED HIMSELF THE "KING OF DARKNESS," AND AFTER FOUR YEARS OF EXORCISM, HE ESCAPED FROM THE BROTHERS. THEY DIED NOT TOO LONG AFTERWARDS

2) SPIRIT PHENOMENON (POLTERGEIST)- THE PHENOMENON OF GHOSTS USING PHYSICAL POWERS SMALL OBJECTS FLYING AND UNKNOWN SOUNDS FROM WALLS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT CAN BE IDENTIFIED AS THIS SORT OF ACTIVITY. BUT STRICTLY SPEAKING, SPIRIT PHENOMENON AND POLTERGEISTS ARE DIFFERENT. THE FIRST REFERS TO THE PHENOMENON OF GHOSTS USING PHYSICAL POWER AND THE LATTER REFERS TO A MORE CONSPICUOUS SUPERNATURAL PHENOMENON CAUSED BY A SPIRIT

3) BARRIER OF FIRE- THE BARRIER IS ACTUALLY BUDDHIST AND IS USED TO PROTECT A SPECIFIC AREA. THE BARRIER OF FIRE HERE IS JOHN'S IRREGULAR INCANTATION THAT TRANSFORMS FIRE FROM MAGIC, WHICH IS A WESTERN INCANTATION, INTO A BARRIER

4) EXORCISM- IT'S A TERM USED WHEN A SUPERNATURAL PHENOMENON IS RECOGNIZED IN CATHOLICISM. THE EXACT DEFINITION CANNOT BE GIVEN BECAUSE THE MEANING VARIES ACCORDING TO CONDITION AND NUANCE BUT "EXORCISM," IN GENERAL, REFERS TO THE CEREMONY OF DRIVING OUT SPIRITS. IT IS FORBIDDEN UNLESS ORDAINED BY THE VATICAN AND ITS METHOD IS ALSO A SECRET

5) OBSESSION SPIRIT- IT DISTORTS A HUMAN'S SENSE OF SELF AND CONTROLS HIS OR HER BODY MORE ACCURATELY. THEY ARE THE MOST TYPICAL POINT OF ENTRY FOR LOWER SPIRITS TO INHABIT HUMANS. SO OBSESSION SPIRITS CANNOT BE CLEARLY DEFINED

6) BARRIER STONE- STONES THAT CAN CREATE A BARRIER. IN ADDITION TO STONES, THERE ARE BARRIER-MAKING OBJECTS IN MANY FORMS SUCH AS COINS, ALUM POWDER, EARRINGS, ETC

7) ABOUT THE FLIGHT SPELL PAN USED- IN THE LAST STORY THERE WAS A SCENE IN WHICH PAN FLIES (?) OUT OF THE HOTEL CARRYING MIHO. THIS IS BASED ON PEACOCK KING MAGIC. THE PEACOCK KING, WHO IS ONE OF THE FIVE GREAT KINGS OF BUDDHISM, HAS THE UNIQUE ABILITY TO FLY. SO WHEN PAN USED THE MAGIC, THE SHAPE OF A PEACOCK WAS DEPICTED IN THE SURROUNDINGS BY THE LAW OF BUDDHIST INCANTATION. IF ONE WANTS TO FLY, HE MUST BORROW THE POWER OF THE PEACOCK KING

8) SPIRITUAL WARFARE (POWER EVANGELISM)- AS THE WORDS THEMSELVES DESCRIBE, THESE TERMS REFER TO TWO SIDES COMPETING DIRECTLY AGAINST ONE ANOTHER BY USING THEIR SPECIAL ABILITIES. THE AUTHOR OF POWER EVANGELISM JOHN WIMBER EXPLAINS THAT IT IS A CONDITION IN WHICH PRIESTS BATTLE WITH SATAN USING A MORE VIOLENT METHOD THAN EXORCISM.

9) AURA- AURA IS THE HALO BEHIND THE PICTURES OF BUDDHA OR JESUS. THEY SAY SOME MANNER OF AURA EVEN EMANATES FROM ORDINARY PEOPLE, BUT THE LIGHT'S BRIGHTNESS OR STRENGTH APPEARS ACCORDING TO SPIRITUAL CLASS AND PSYCHOLOGICAL STATE

10) PYON INT'AE OF SOKWIJIN- THIS GHOST CALLED PYONG INGT'AE IS A HUMAN WHO DIED WHILE STILL HAVING A GRUDGE THAT CARRIED OVER TO THE NEXT WORLD. PYONG INGT'AE WAS THE SERVANT OF THE SOKWIJIN AND HE WAS RESOURCEFUL AND INFAMOUS FOR BEING A GOOD LIAR. PEOPLE SUFFERED PAIN BECAUSE OF HIS LIES AND WOMEN RUINED THEIR LIVES BECAUSE OF HIS GOOD LOOKS AND NARRATIVE SKILL. ONE NIGHT WHILE HE WAS LEADING THIS RIBALD LIFE HE WAS BEATEN BY THE VILLAGE PEOPLE, TIED UP BY HIS HANDS AND FEET, AND MET THE MISERABLE END OF BEING BURIED AT SEA IN FRONT OF SOKWIPO

11) ADAMANTINE DAGGER- IT IS A CEREMONIAL INSTRUMENT BUDDHIST MONKS USE IN ASCETIC PRACTICES. THERE ARE MANY KINDS OF ADAMANTINE DAGGERS, AND THEIR NAMES ARE DIFFERENT ACCORDING TO THEIR SHAPE. FOR INSTANCE, THERE ARE FIVE-BLADED ONES, PHURBAS WITH THREE CURVED BLADES, AND SINGLE-BLADED ONES. PAN'S ADAMANTINE DAGGER, IN THE STORY, IS A SINGLE-BLADE TYPE WITH THE FACE OF THE VAJRAKILAYA DEITY CARVED ON THE HANDLE

12) ESOTERIC BUDDHISM- ALSO CALLED SECRET BUDDHISM, IT IS ANOTHER FORM OF BUDDHISM THAT DIFFERS FROM THE TRADITIONAL IN THAT IT HAS AS ITS PURPOSE DELIVERANCE AND THE ATTAINMENT OF NIRVANA. ESOTERIC BUDDHISM, WHOSE OBJECTIVE IS REALISTIC AND PRACTICAL SELF-DISCIPLINE, IS MORE DEVELOPED IN JAPAN THAN IN KOREA AND THERE IS NO TEACHING THAT FORBIDS KILLING IN ESOTERIC BUDDHIST DOCTRINE

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SKETCH #4
SHOW DOWN 1

THE TIME OF THE FOURTH INCIDENT: JANUARY 30, '96
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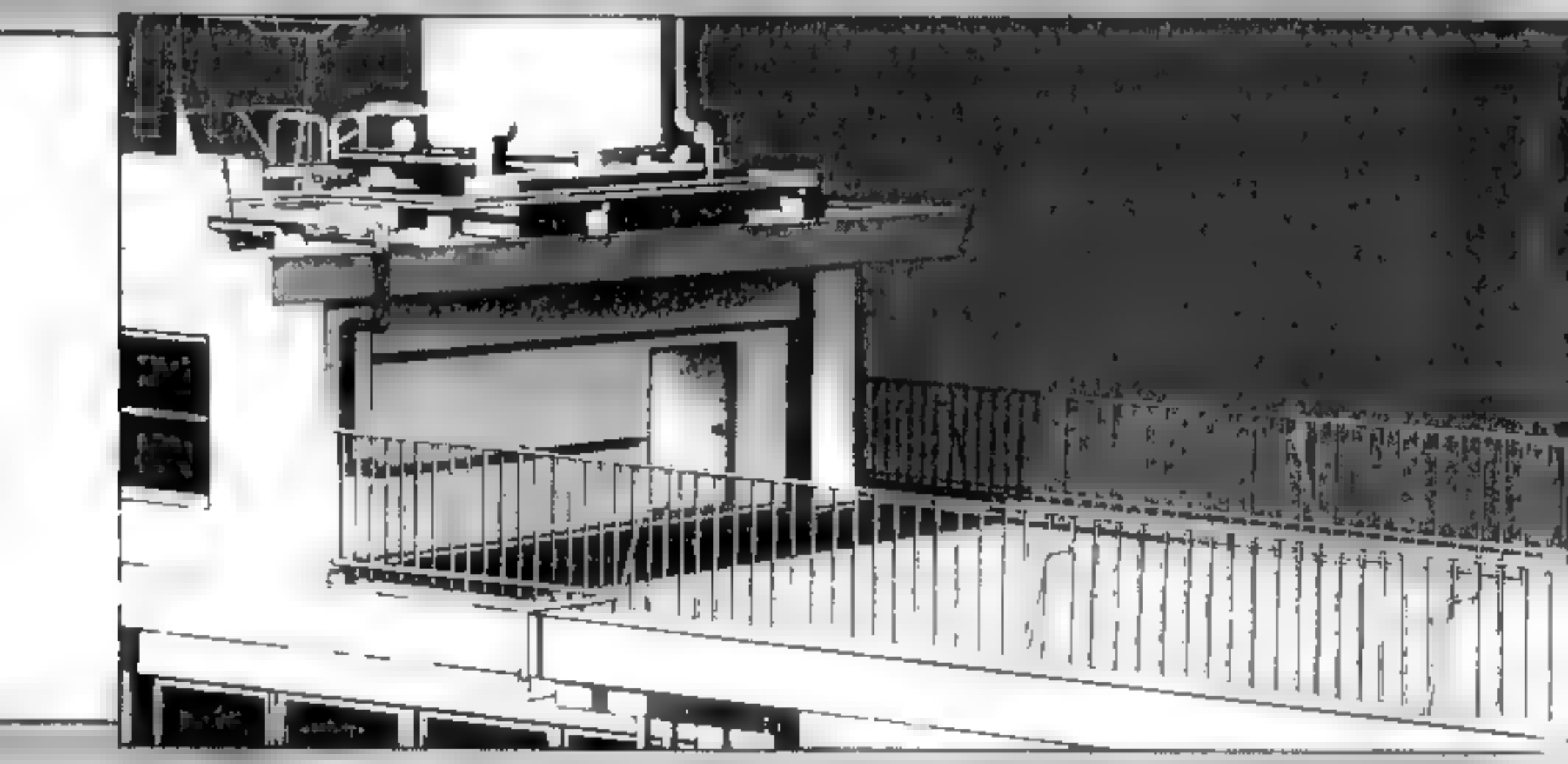

LOCATION: SOGWIP'O-SI TONGHUNG-DONG
THE TOP OF SOGWIP'O,
APARTMENT NUMBER 4.

DID YOU EVER THINK THIS WOULD BE WHERE YOU'D DIE?

THE WIND IS QUITE REFRESHING.

NAME OF THE VICTIM: PAKBYONG NAKCH'ON, AGE 65.
APARTMENT SECURITY GUARD.

W-WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?

WHAT ON EARTH IS THE REASON?!

REASON ..?

BECAUSE IT'S *FUN!*

CAUSE OF DEATH: THE MUTILATION OF THE ENTIRE BODY WITH A SHARP WEAPON.

MUTILATION MURDER.

THE SIMPLE FACTS ON THE SCREEN WERE ENOUGH TO FIGURE IT OUT/

I HAD SEEN ENOUGH OF HIS KILLINGS TO RECOGNIZE THE SICKNESS

HE MUST HAVE BEEN LAUGHING AT THE TIME.

PRINT?

Y

N

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

BUZZ

BUZZ

DO YOU WANT A DRINK? IT'S HAZELNUT.

POLICE FILES?! HOW DID YOU ACCESS THIS?

THIS'S GOTTA BE CONFIDENTIAL

JOHN DECIDED TO STAY WITH ME FOR A WHILE.

MUTILATION MURDER?

HE TELLS ME THAT HE'S NOT EMOTIONALLY READY TO MEET HIS PARENTS YET, BUT...

IT SEEMS LIKE HE LOST HIS CONFIDENCE BECAUSE OF WHAT PYONGINGTAE SAID. THE GHOST'S RIDICULOUS LIE ABOUT HIS MOTHER BEING A PROSTITUTE

LIM, MIHO... IS RESEARCHING THIS STUFF YOUR HOBBY?

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

FLAP

THINK? ABOUT WHAT?

LOOK AT THE KILLER'S METHODS

CAN YOU FIND ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN THOSE FOUR VICTIMS?

WELL, I DON'T HAVE A TALENT FOR THIS.

YI CH'ANHO, 27, PHYSICIAN. NO ENEMIES TO SPEAK OF...

THE SECOND VICTIM IS KIM MIKYONG, 32, HOUSEWIFE. ALSO NO ENEMIES.

AND RYU TONGA, 14, STUDENT. AGAIN, NOT HATED BY A SINGLE PERSON

AS FAR AS I CAN TELL, THESE ARE ALL...

...RANDOM MURDERS!

A SIMPLE MURDER FOR PLEASURE... WITHOUT MOTIVE OR REASON.

HE CARRIES A WEAPON CALLED AN ADAMANTINE DAGGER.

IT'S A BUDDHIST TOOL THAT ONLY MONKS CAN CARRY.

STOP FOOLING AROUND, JOHN!

SURPRISE

WHERE THERE'S SMOKE, THERE'S FIRE

DO YOU BELIEVE IN *'THE LAW OF CAUSALITY'*?

BASICALLY, IT SAYS THAT NOTHING HAPPENS WITHOUT A REASON.

HOW IS THIS FOR REASONING?

ON THE SURFACE, THOSE FOUR VICTIMS SEEM CLEAN. BUT UNDERNEATH THEY WERE CORRUPT ENOUGH TO BE MURDERED

!!

IS THAT BASED ON ANYTHING, OR ARE YOU JUST GUESSING?

NUDE

WHY? DOES IT SOUND UNREASONABLE?

IF ONE THING IS FOR CERTAIN IN THIS WORLD..

IT'S THAT NO ONE IS WITHOUT SIN.

THEY HAVEN'T CAUGHT THE GUY WHO DID THIS, HAVE THEY?

P-PROBABLY NOT

ALTHOUGH I KNOW WHO HE IS.

WHEN THE TIME COMES, HE'LL ANSWER TO GOD.

REGARDLESS OF THE REASON, MURDER IS AN UNFORGIVABLE ACT.

AT THAT MOMENT, I GOT AN OMINOUS FEELING.

WELL JOHN, THIS IS STRICTLY HYPOTHETICAL, BUT...

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU CAME ACROSS HIM?

I'D RUN AWAY FIRST, SINCE I'M STILL YOUNG.

HAM

WELL, HE'S CERTAINLY GOT NOTHING TO FEAR, THEN.

CITIZENS OF CHEJU! TODAY IS THE DAY OF THE 12TH GRAND CHEJU FOLK FESTIVAL.

IT'S THE TIME WHEN OUR CITY SHOWS THAT WE ARE THE PROUD DESCENDENTS OF THE TAMNA EMPIRE.

A MAGNIFICENT LASER SHOW, INCLUDING FIREWORKS, IS ALSO PLANNED.

YO YO!

WHO'S THIS?

SONG!!!! ARE YOU FEELING BETTER?

YES, BIG BROTHER!

EH-EH, YOU'RE CALLING ME BROTHER AGAIN. I'VE TOLD YOU MANY TIMES, IN AMERICA WE CALL EACH OTHER BY OUR NAMES.

Brother sounds so awkward

AH! SORRY, JOHN!

UH, JOHN, WE'RE ON OUR WAY TO THE CHEJU FESTIVAL, DO YOU WANT TO COME WITH US? WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU...

...AS WELL AS TEACHER WON...

SIAKNE

I CAN'T GO!

YOU GUYS GO AND HAVE FUN.

HISS

I CAN'T STAND KIDS.

HA HA

I'M SCARED, SISTER

JOHN, YOU KNOW THE TEACHER PRETTY WELL... IS SHE ALWAYS LIKE THAT?

UH? WHAT?

HOW SHE TALKS. I KNOW IT SOUNDS RUDE TO SAY, BUT SHE'S WAY TOO CONFRONTATIONAL.

AT SCHOOL, SHE'S ALWAYS ON THE WARPATH, AND ALL THE STUDENTS IN THE CLASS HATE HER

HEE HEE

HEH. SNOWMAN SONG!

N-NO! I DON'T MEAN IT THAT WAY!

IT'S HARD TO SAY NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT IT, SHE'S DIFFERENT FROM NORMAL PEOPLE. SHE'S...

IT'S SAD! WHEN I HEAR THE OTHER STUDENTS SAYING MEAN THINGS...

HA HA.
IS THAT IT?

I THINK WITH
MY BAD KOREAN,
WE'RE NOT
UNDERSTANDING
EACH OTHER!

!!

!!

WHAT'S
WRONG,
JOHN?

W-WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY?!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN... *C-COUNTERFEIT* MONEY?

YES... COUNTERFEIT... THE BANK JUST CALLED AND THEY SAID ONE OF THEIR EMPLOYEES

GAVE YOU FAKE MONEY AS PART OF YOUR WITHDRAWAL FOUR DAYS AGO TO COVER UP FOR FUNDS HE'D EMBEZZLED

FORTUNATELY, HIS CRIMES WERE DISCOVERED WHEN THEY WERE BALANCING THE BOOKS, AND THE BANK SAID THEY'D REPLACE THE PHONY BILLS IMMEDIATELY

THE ONLY HITCH IS, IN ORDER TO DO THAT, YOU HAVE TO TRADE IN THE COUNTERFEIT MONEY HE GAVE YOU.

IF YOU GIVE IT TO ME, MISS, I'LL GO TAKE CARE OF --

IT'S TOO LATE!

WHAT?

ALREADY? WHERE ON EARTH DID YOU SPEND IT?

BWOOM

AACHH

!!

I ALREADY SPENT... EVERYTHING..

SLAM

YOU BITCH...

...DO YOU REALLY WANT TO FUCK WITH ME?!

BLAG

NOT BAD... I'M SURPRISED YOU HAD THE GUTS TO TRY TO TRICK ME.

I WANT TO. BUT I CAN'T EVEN SCREAM!

ALL THAT SEEMS TO
KEEP ME FROM
OMPLETELY LOSING IT
THE SHEER HORROR?
THAT I'M FEELING!

YOU MOVE FAST
I HAD TROUBLE
FOLLOWING YOU.

I WON'T
ASK YOU FOR A
CONFESSION

BUT I WANT TO KNOW.
JUST FOR
MY OWN KNOWLEDGE,
WHY DOES A MONK
BECOME A MURDERER.?

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JOHN...
WHAT DO YOU
MEAN?

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WHAT DO YOU MEAN,
YOU WANT TO KNOW
FOR YOUR OWN
KNOWLEDGE?

S-STOP! YOU'RE MAKING A MISTAKE!

LET GO!

CLICK

SHIT..
WHY ARE MY BAD
PREMONITIONS
ALWAYS RIGHT?

JOHN...
WHY'D YOU
HAVE TO GET
INVOLVED?

YOU'LL NEVER BEAT THAT HOMICIDAL MANIAC!!

NICE TRY!

JOHN!

!

B-BEHIND YOU!

SHOOM

WHAT THE?

ARUYA 綾弥
MIURA 三浦
YUUSHI 悠志

KABWOOM

JO--
JOHN!

.....

SO YOU'VE GOT SOME SKILLS, KID!

OH,
YOU BET
I DO...

AND
I'M JUST
GETTING
STARTED.

CRASH

STOP IT,
BOTH
OF YOU!

THIS
IS MY ROOM!
SHOULDN'T I
HAVE SOME
SAY IN THIS?

OK!
FIRST OF ALL,
PAN, I
APOLOGIZE...

I'M REALLY
SORRY FOR
GIVING YOU THE
COUNTERFEIT
MONEY
BUT IT'S NOT
MY FAULT...

. I WAS DUPED,
TOO! I FEEL LIKE
GOING DOWN
TO THE BANK
RIGHT NOW AND
BLOWING THE
DAMN THING UP!

LISTEN,
I HAVE
AN IDEA!
TO MAKE IT
UP TO YOU,
I'LL DOUBLE
THAT MONEY

AND JOHN,
QUIT FOOLING
AROUND
WHETHER HE'S
A MURDERER
OR NOT IS NONE
OF YOUR
BUSINESS.

SO,
BOTH OF
YOU...

...STOP
IT RIGHT
NOW!

ARE YOU AWAKE?

!

WHAT HAPPENED, MISS?

I DON'T KNOW YOU JUST FELL.

J- JUST LIKE THAT?

MY AGE IS REALLY CATCHING UP WITH ME.

W-WHAT HAPPENED TO THE ROOM?

JUST SIT DOWN. I'LL CLEAN IT.

OLD MAN...

YES

DON'T BELITTLE YOURSELF BECAUSE OF YOUR AGE.

SOME PEOPLE NEVER ACT THEIR AGE, ALWAYS BEHAVING LIKE CHILDREN

LIKE... CHILDREN?

THERE ARE JERKS OUT THERE LIKE THAT

JERKS WHO DO WHATEVER THEY WANT.

DESPITE THEIR MOTHER'S WARNINGS...

HEY!

WHAT'S GOING ON?!

MOVE, MOVE!

IF YOU DON'T WANT TO GET HURT, THEN GET OUTTA THE WAY!

GREAT, JOHN ALWAYS HAVE TO BE THE HERO, DON'T YOU? COULDN'T MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS

THE WAY THIS GUY MOVES, I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO OUTRUN HIM!

AND HOW IS IT HE DOESN'T HAVE A SCRATCH ON HIS BODY? HE'S GOT TO BI PURE EVIL!

HONK

SHIT!

OM AMOGA
唵 阿慕伽
PAJATA MAHAAMAAGA
毘社耶 摩訶那去
PAMDAPAMDA
漫陀漫陀

SA PA HA!!

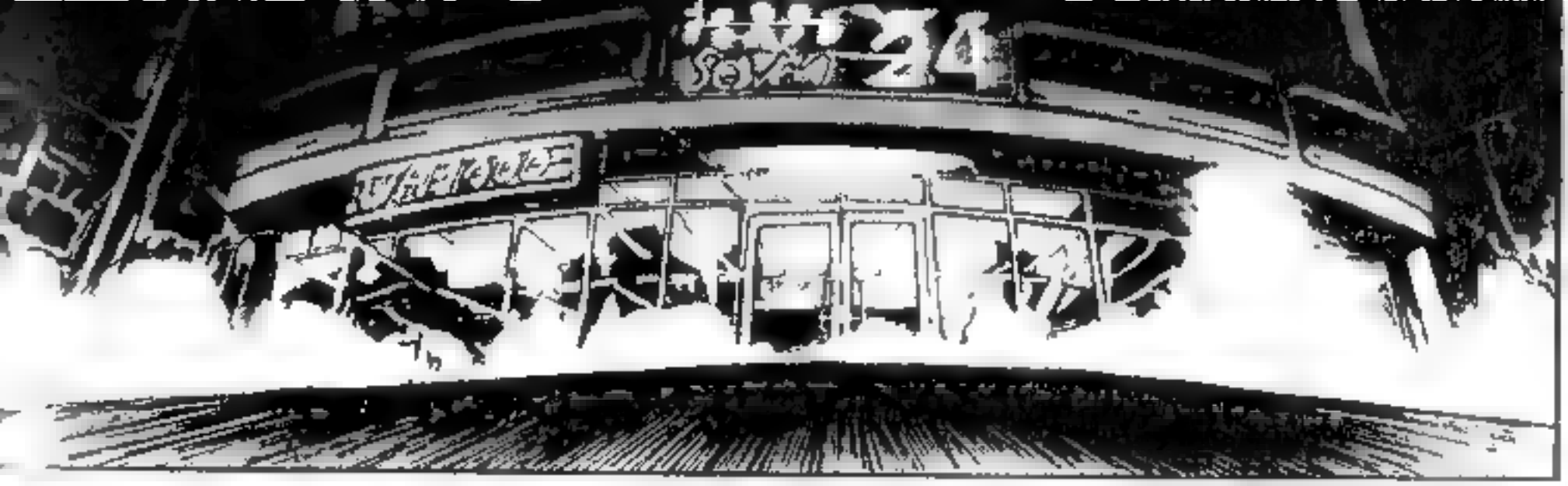
娑婆河!!

HEY!

WHOOSH

BWAM

NICE!
HE SLAMMED
INTO THE
COUNTER!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I-IMPOSSIBLE!!
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SKETCH #4
SHOW DOWN 3

AH...

OH, DEAR, ARE YOU ALRIGHT? SEE, YOU SHOULD'VE LEFT WELL-ENOUGH ALONE.

THIS IS WHAT MAIDS ARE FOR... WAIT A MINUTE, MISS. LET ME GET THE FIRST-AID KIT.

.....

IT'S OKAY. GIVE ME THE CAR KEYS INSTEAD.

WHAT? WHY? ARE YOU GOING OUT?

IT'S JUST... I'VE GOT A BAD FEELING.

SLIP

WHAT ABOUT YOUR FINGER?

IT'S FINE, IT WASN'T MUCH OF A CUT...

AAAAAGH

AH!

BAM

MURDERER!

SOMEONE S BEEN KILLED!

HURRY CALL THE POLICE!

HEY!

IS HE CRAZY? KILLING A PERSON IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROAD!

WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR, BOSS? LET'S KICK HIS ASS!

STEP

STEP

SO?! YOU WANT TO FIGHT?

ARE YOU GUYS READY?

OF COURSE

HE DOESN'T KNOW WHO HE'S MESSIN' WITH!

HEY!

LEAVE THEM ALONE, I'M NOT DONE WITH YOU YET!

HEH, HEH. I CAN TAKE PUNCHES BETTER THAN YOU THINK!

WELL, NOT AS WELL AS YOU CAN, BUT...

THAT BLADE OF YOURS IS BARELY FIT TO CUT MY HAIR.

STILL, I'LL ADMIT THAT I WAS A BIT FOOLISH.

HONESTLY, I EXPECTED YOU TO BE MORE AWARE OF THE PITFALLS OF TAKING A SPIRITUAL BATTLE INTO THE STREETS.

I WAS DUMB. YOU'RE A COLD-BLOODED GUY WHO COULDN'T CARE LESS ABOUT USING INCANTATIONS WHEN COMMON CITIZENS ARE AROUND

IT WAS SILLY OF ME TO THINK YOU HAD ANY HUMANITY LEFT.

SNAP

THIS PIERCING WAS A GIFT FROM A PRIEST. IT KEPT MY POWER IN CHECK.

GOOD

BUT SINCE YOU'RE GONNA PLAY WITHOUT RULES, I MAY AS WELL, TOO

NTERESTING...

BURST
Coffee

UH, JOHN, WE'RE ON OUR WAY TO THE CHEJU FESTIVAL, DO YOU WANT TO COME WITH US?

WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU, AS WELL AS TEACHER WON...

SHIT! GOOD FOR HER!

DAMN CHEJU ISLAND!!

ANYWAY, WHERE SHOULD I START LOOKING FOR THEM?

THIS PLACE IS HUGE, AND THEY COULD BE ANYWHERE.

JOHN...

EH
SNAP

STEP

THE SON OF DARKNESS, SPAWN OF THE DEVIL..
WHOOOO
I WILL JUDGE THEE WITH THE HANDS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS...

VROOSH

BLAST

HAAAAAA!!

THE BIAW

HUFF
HUFF

IS IT FINISHED?

SLIP

NAMAN SAMANDA
南莫 三滿多
MOTTANAN...
沒馱南

SABABA!

沙訶

CRASH

ドド

ドド

ARROGANT BASTARD! HE PLAYS THE GAME WELL.

I'LL ADMIT, IT'S A NEW SENSATION, TO BE CHALLENGED LIKE THIS...

BUT PLAYTIME IS OVER! NO MORE FUCKING AROUND!

HEH, HEH, HEH.

YOU FLATTER ME.

OOONG

BUT, I DON'T EXPECT TOO MUCH. WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO IT, YOU'RE ALL TALK!

YOU CAN'T WAIT TO DIE, CAN YOU?!

ON PAJYUDA 唵 嚩日 BUSYAYA HUM 叉夜 吽

ON PAJYUDA 唵 嚩日 SAMDI PA 地!!

WOOSH

VROOSH

LORD, GRANT ME THE STRENGTH

...TO STAND IN THE LIGHT OF YOUR GRACE.

SHOOM

SPLOOSH

YOU JUST SPLIT THE CROSS IN TWO...

I WASN'T INTENT ON MAKING THIS A RELIGIOUS FIGHT...

.. BUT YOU LEAVE ME NO ALTERNATIVE!

YOU MAY BE A HOMICIDAL MANIAC.

..BUT NOTHING ABOUT YOUR METHODS ARE RANDOM!

REMEMBER HOW I SAID I WANTED TO KNOW WHAT YOU WERE UP TO, JUST FOR MY OWN KNOWLEDGE?

YOU PROBABLY DIDN'T KNOW, BUT I'M CLAIRVOYANT.

WHEN IT COMES TO SOMEONE WITH A HIGH LEVEL OF POWER LIKE YOURSELF, MY ABILITY TO READ MINDS BECOMES PRETTY USELESS, BUT...

...I CAN STILL SEE WHAT YOU'RE FIGHTING FOR

YOU HAVE NO INTENTION OF KILLING ME!

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OFFICER, CONNECT THE HOSE THERE, TOO!

HEY, HELP ME OVER HERE!

I NEED SOMETHING TO LIFT THIS!

IT'S TRUE, THEY SHOT ELECTRICITY OUT OF THEIR BODIES!

EVERYONE SAW IT!

I DON'T EVEN HAVE TO ASK! IT'S THEIR WORK.

STUPID, SELFISH BASTARDS! THEY CONCENTRATED THEIR POWER ALL IN ONE PLACE.

HEY, HOW DO THINGS LOOK OVER THERE?

NOT BAD, CONSIDERING NOT MANY KILLED...

I'M SICK OF THIS MYSTERY... I'M SICK OF THE LIES!

BUT WHERE COULD THEY HAVE GONE TO?

JUDGING BY THE ENERGY THEY SPENT HERE, THEY COULDN'T HAVE GONE FAR..

THAT'S...?!

WHAT?

YOU HAVEN'T SHOWN A TASTE FOR BLOOD. NOT ONCE!

IT'S PRETTY OBVIOUS! ALL OF YOUR ATTACKS ARE CLEARLY MEANT TO BE THREATENING.
BUT I COULDN'T FEEL ANY REAL DESIRE TO KILL ME.

YOU'RE FUCKING CRAZY

NO, I THINK I'VE FINALLY FIGURED IT OUT!

I CLEARLY REMEMBER HOW BLOODTHIRSTY YOU WERE WHEN I FIRST SAW YOU AT THE HOSPITAL.

I COULD BARELY TELL YOU APART FROM THE DEMON.

BUT, NOW I CAN SEE HOW YOU ARE DIFFERENT. YOU CUT ME LIKE YOU CUT THAT MONSTER.

BUT ULTIMATELY, I'M NOT STANDING HERE BECAUSE I CAN TAKE A PUNCH. YOU HAVEN'T BEEN ATTACKING ME LIKE YOU REALLY MEAN IT.

WHOOSH

SLICE

YOU TALK TOO MUCH. YOU WANNA SHUT UP AND FINISH THIS?

...!!

CONCLUSION...

YOU DON'T KILL PEOPLE WITHOUT GOOD CAUSE!

THERE MUST BE A REASON WHY THOSE FOUR DIED!

SHUT UP!

WHOOSH

!!

SPLOOSH

I ASKED FOR IT! HE REALLY TRIED TO KILL ME THAT TIME.

I SHOULDN'T [redacted] HIM! I DIDN'T KNOW HE'D GET SO PISSED OFF

I SHOULDN'T HAVE TOLD HIM.

IT'S GOING TO BE A LONG FIGHT I'LL HAVE TO TRUST MY LUNGS TO HOLD ON WHILE I FIGURE OUT HIS WEAKNESS.

.....

I GOT IT!

I FEEL A LITTLE GUILTY, BUT MY CONSCIENCE WILL HAVE TO DEAL WITH IT.

EVEN IF I HAD MY SWORD, I STILL WOULDN'T HAVE MADE IT THIS FAR.

PANG

!

W-WHAT THE...?!

BWOM

SHIT! IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST!

BOOM

BOOM

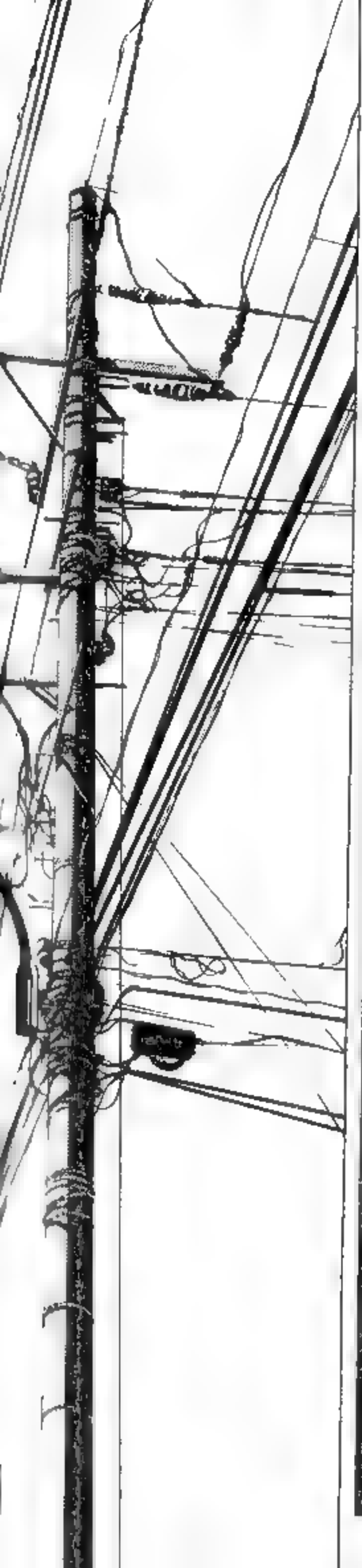
BOOM

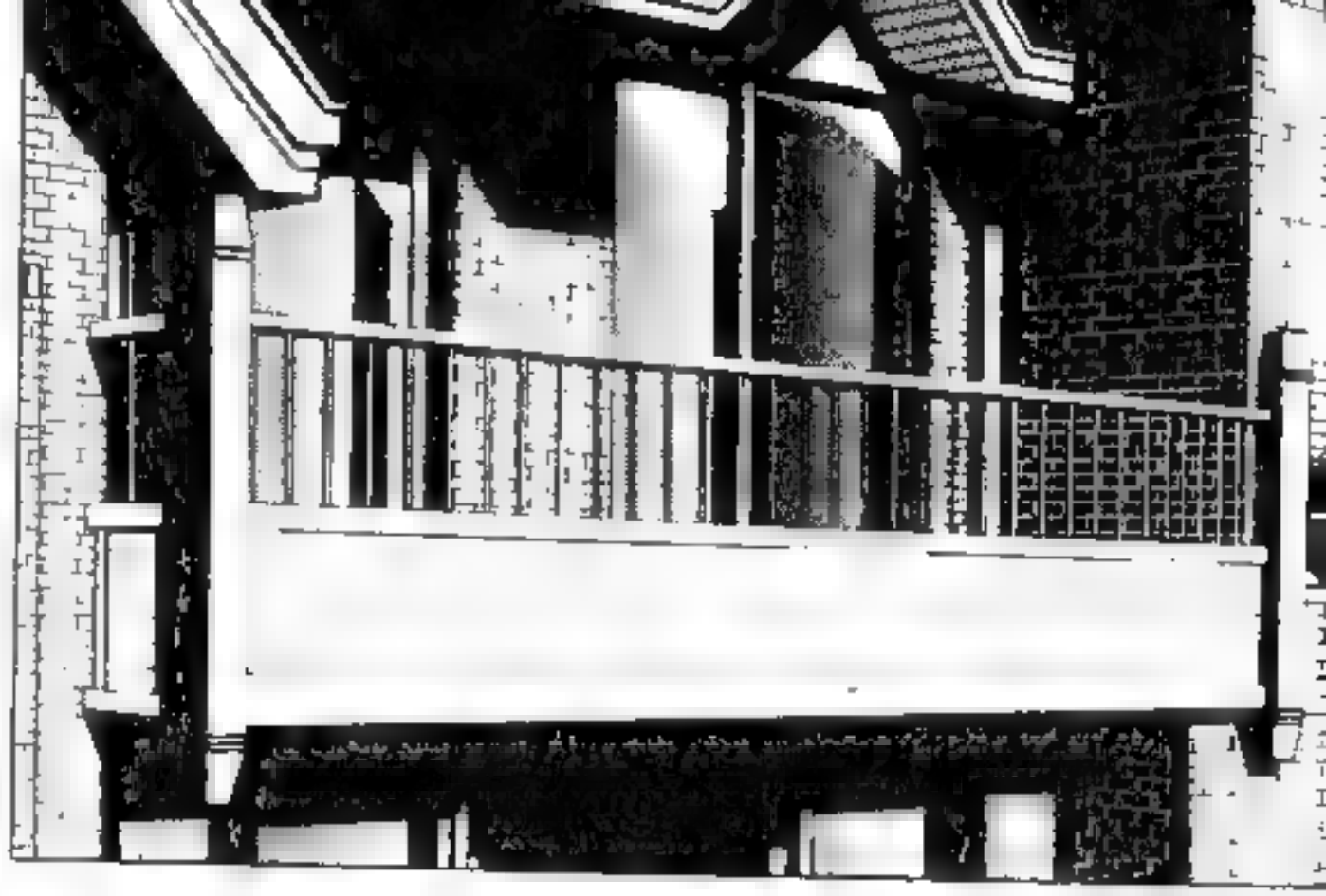
HA-HA-HA! YOU'■ MORE STUPID THAN YOU LOOK.

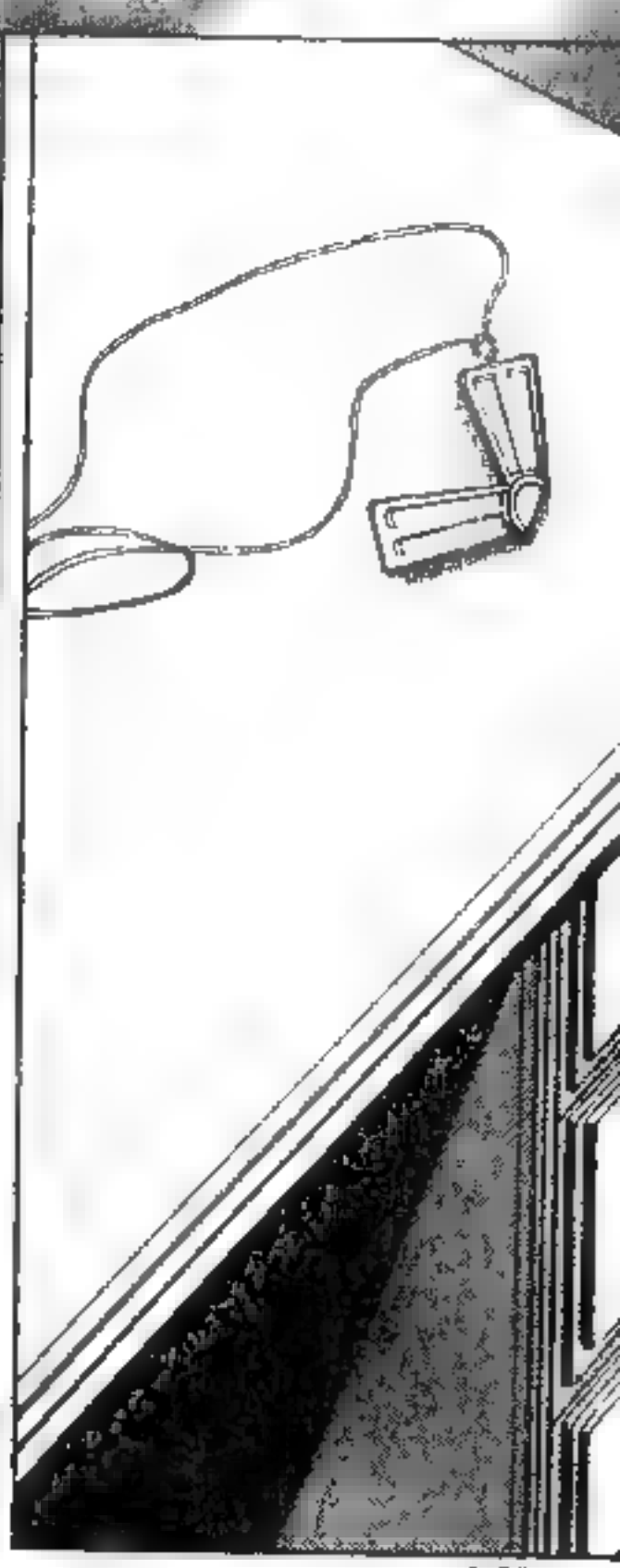
YOU LET THE FIREWORKS DISTRACT YOU.

FIREWORKS...?

I GUESS
I LOST
MY COOL.







ARE YOU GOING TO WORK ALREADY, MISS?

THERE'S AN ACADEMIC AFFAIRS MEETING. I DON'T WANT TO BE LATE. OH, AND I'LL DRIVE MYSELF TO WORK FROM NOW ON...

...SO YOU WON'T HAVE TO BOTHER TAKING ME.

COULD HE BE AWAKE ALREADY?

WHAT?

AH, WELL...

THE DOCTOR SAID HE'D BE AWAKE BY TODAY, BUT...

YOU'RE UP AND ABOUT, JOHN.

MIHO

HOW'S YOUR BOD? YOU WERE IN BED FOR 3 DAYS...

I'M OK I WAS OUT FOR 3 DAYS?

WHAT HAPPENED? I DON'T HAVE ANY MEMORY...

SLAP

I GOT A CALL FROM THE HOSPITAL...

THEY SAID THEY FOUND YOU NEAR DRAGON HEAD ROCK...

THEY WERE ABOUT TO DECLARE YOU DEAD ON ARRIVAL.

DO ME A FAVOR, JOHN. DON'T MAKE MY WORLD ANY HARDER.

MY LIFE IS TIRESOME ENOUGH WITHOUT HAVING TO WORRY ABOUT YOU.

SORRY, MIHO.

UGH... HE MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE TO BE ANGRY THAT'S FINE.

LET'S NOT TALK ABOUT IT ANYMORE. JUST THINKING ABOUT THAT MESS GIVES ME A HEADACHE.

SAY NO MORE...

UM... DID YOU LOOK FOR ME, MIHO?

I'M SORRY TO DISAPPOINT YOU...

THUD

.BUT I DON'T HAVE TIME TO WASTE LOOKING FOR LOST CAUSES!

OUCH MAN, MY HEAD HURTS!

THERE'S A BUMP AS BIG AS A BASEBALL

DID HE REALLY STRIKE ME WITH THE ADAMANTINE DAGGER?

IF SO... THEN I WOULDN'T BE ALIVE...

HE'S A FRAUD!!

JUST LIKE ME AND IN THE SAME WAY...

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Mysterious skulls that can massacre hundreds in seconds are appearing around Cheju Island and a group of Japanese Interpol agents have come to take care of the matter. But when Miho finds herself the victim of an attack, the investigation becomes very personal. Is the source of the skulls' power really a new retrovirus like the Interpol agents say, or are their more sinister forces at work?

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In-Wan Youn
Kyung-Il Yang

In-Wan Youn and Kyung-Il Yang began working on *Island* in August 1997. The title ran as a biweekly release in *Young Champ* and was collected into six volumes before they ended their work on the series in January, 2001. The writer/artist team also co-published *The Fools*. In-Wan also has writing credits for the manwha, *Soma's Legendary Record*, *Chaos Plus* and *The Sea*. Kyung-Il is the current artist for the popular science fiction manga title *Zombie Hunter* published in Japan. The team have considered restarting *Island* as a Japanese title.

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